

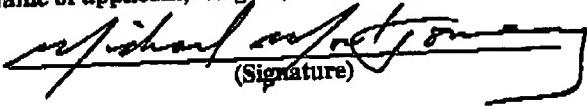
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Jon Buzzard, et al.
Serial No.: 09/975,873 Art Unit: 3731
Filed : October 12, 2001 Examiner: Victor X. Nguyen
For : Handle Deployment Mechanism For
Medical Device And Method

I hereby certify that this correspondence is sent by facsimile transmission to the
Commissioner for Patents at 703-872-9306 on:

June 14, 2004
(Date of Deposit)

Michael W. Montgomery
(Name of applicant, assignee, or Registered Representative)


(Signature)

June 14, 2004
(Date of Signature)

Commissioner For Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

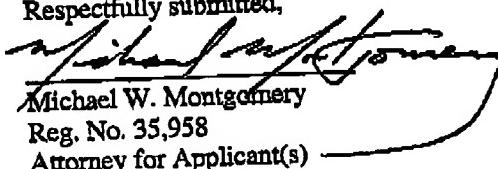
Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to an Office Action mailed March 3, 2004 for one month from June 3, 2004 to July 3, 2004 under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please charge \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 10-0750/CRD0959/MWM in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Date: June 14, 2004

Respectfully submitted,


Michael W. Montgomery
Reg. No. 35,958
Attorney for Applicant(s)

Johnson & Johnson
Law Department
One Johnson & Johnson Plaza
New Brunswick, NJ 08933-7003
(786) 313-2922